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FOR AMBASSADOR ONLY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, ZA, US

SUBJECT: MARSHALL SOGHOIAN CASE

REF: LUSAKA 2283 AND PREVIOUS

1. POSTPONEMENT OF STATUS CALL TO JANUARY 3 WAS REQUESTED BY SOGHOIAN'S ATTORNEYS. IN RECENT WEEKS, HIS ATTORNEYS AND US ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN HIGHLY SENSITIVE NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO STRONG EXPECTATION SOGHOIAN WILL PLEAD GUILTY TO FELONY AT OR SOON AFTER JANUARY 3 STATUS CALL. IF HE REFUSES TO DO SO, US ATTORNEY WILL SEEK NEW INDICTMENT COVERING OTHER FELONIES BUT WILL NOT RPT NOT INCLUDE CHARGE OF ESPIONAGE OR ACTING AS AGENT OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENT WITHOUT INFORMING SECRETARY. FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE CASE AGAINST SOGHOIAN APPEARS STRONG AND PLEA TO SINGLE FELONY WOULD SEEM BEST OUTCOME ATTAINABLE FROM STANDPOINT OF DEPARTMENT'S INTERESTS. WE WILL INFORM YOU AS SOON AS DEVELOPMENTS BECOME CLEAR.

2. REGARDING GRZ PROPERTY CLAIM, GRZ EMBASSY HAS SUBMITTED NOTE CLAIMING CHECKS AND CERTAIN PROPERTY USG SEIZED AT TIME
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OF SOGHOIAN'S ARREST TOGETHER WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

AND AFFIDAVIT BY SOGHOIAN DISCLAIMING OWNERSHIP. WE ARE
NOW IN PROCESS OF EVALUATING ADEQUACY OF THIS SUBMISSION.
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO RELEASE CASHIER'S CHECKS IN NEAR
FUTURE. RETURN OF OTHER PROPERTY MAY TAKE LONGER SINCE
MUCH OF DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTING GRZ OWNERSHIP IS
ILLEGIBLE. LATTER COULD BE EXPEDITED HOWEVER IF SOGHOIAN
ENTERS GUILTY PLEA, AS HOPED. RUSH

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